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<TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable. I gave up the convenience of my regular cell phone and bought prepaid because I could not afford the monthly charges. Now if you make make even prepaid more expensive, I won't be able to have a cell phone at all! It seems that no matter how I try to scrimp and save, government is always raising my costs with new taxes.

I use my wireless phone for safety and security. With a daughter in college and she and I driving older vehicles in a wintry climate, I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee. Those of us who have already down-sized to the minimal usage of prepaid phones should not be forced out of the market completely.

Sincerely,

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